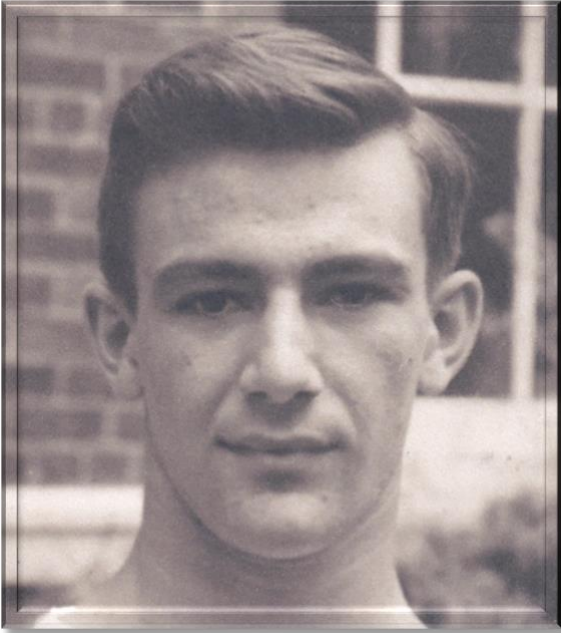


LOUIS RIZZIERI

Class of 1948



Louis Rizzieri was a proud member of Mynderse Academy athletic teams throughout his high school career. He was a 3 sport athlete who participated in football, basketball and track.

Louis still reminisces about the 1946 championship football team that he was a part of. His fondest football memory was running 98 yards to return a kick-off from Waterloo. However, the play was called back. Amazingly, he did the same thing again for a touchdown! Louis enjoyed running and was quoted in his yearbook by many friends as, “The fastest man

they had ever seen.”

Louis was captain of the first Mynderse Academy track team in 13 yrs. As such, he went on to win a 1947 District IV relay team competition. Louis’ most favored track events were the 400meter hurdles and the 100yard dash.

Louis was a Mynderse Academy Block M member. He carried the values he learned from participating in this organization, as well as those learned from participating on various athletic teams, throughout his life as an active member of his Seneca Falls community.

After HS Louis graduated from Willard as a nurse and enlisted in the Army. He is a Korean War Veteran and was First VP of the Korean War Veteran’s Assoc. Louis volunteered as a basketball coach at De Sales HS while attending Hobart College. He recieved his Masters degree from Syracuse University. Louis’ active involvement in his community include: The American Legion, SMS, Mynderse Academy Alumni Assoc., SF board of Ed., Grand Knight of the K of C., Elks Club, St. Patrick’s Church, and NYS Commissioner of Ed Advisory Committee. He is a Seneca Falls Father Beatini award recipient. Louis was also a Rotarian.

During his 40 years as a teacher and Chief School Administrator he was influential in promoting athletics. Louis was instrumental in the development of the Cohocton CS Sports Complex. Louis supported both boys and girls athletic programs. The first ever Girls' Varsity Athletic club was started at Gilbertsville CS while he was principal. As an educator, he not only valued, but strove to build positive relationships among competitive athletes.

Louis worked as part of a team wherever he went. He is proud of his home town of Seneca Falls and of Mynderse Academy.